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Harford County to Administer New COVID-relief Grants for Nonprofits, Additional Rounds of Funding for Restaurants, Hotels

BEL AIR, Md., (April 13, 2021) - Harford County will begin accepting applications from local organizations later this month for three COVID-relief grant programs.

The new Nonprofit Relief Grant program will provide funding to eligible Harford County nonprofits whose ability to provide programs or services has been affected by the pandemic. Applications for this program will be accepted beginning on Wednesday, April 28 at 8 a.m. The deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. on Friday, June 4, 2021.

Funding for the nonprofit grants is from the State of Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development through the Maryland Recovery Now program. The state requires that funding priority be given to eligible nonprofits that have not received prior financial support for COVID-related expenses. The dollar amount of individual grants will depend on the total number of applicants.

Eligible nonprofits must maintain a physical address in Harford County – P.O. Boxes are not acceptable – and must be classified as a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(19) organization. Funds are to be used for expenses related to COVID-19 incurred between March 2020 and December 2021 that have not been supported by other COVID-relief funding. Funds may not be used for activities that are non-secular, or promote a religious doctrine, or for any political or partisan purposes.

Additionally, Harford County will offer new rounds of two previously-established grant programs.

Applications will be accepted for the State Restaurant Assistance Grant - Round 3 beginning at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, April 14; the deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28, 2021.

Applications for the Hotel Relief Grant - Round 2, will be accepted beginning at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, April 21 through 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 2021.

Applicants should read the FAQs, detailed eligibility requirements and instructions on how to apply before filling out their application. All documents are posted on the county website as noted below.

Nonprofits: https://www.harfordcountymd.gov/3169/Nonprofit-RELIEF-Grant-Program

Restaurants: https://www.harfordcountymd.gov/3170/Restaurant-RELIEF-Grant-Program

Hotels: https://www.harfordcountymd.gov/3168/Lodging-Accommodations-RELIEF-Grant-Program

"Local nonprofits do important work in our community and they need help to get through this pandemic," Harford County Executive Barry Glassman said. "Likewise, our restaurants and hotels are not out of the woods yet. As with prior COVID-relief programs, my administration will work with qualified applicants and get funds to them as quickly as we can."



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